

**WAUKESHA COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER
MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 18, 2009
MINUTES**

Present:

Dennis Farrell (WCHHS Board)
Amanda Behling MHA
Misty Barnhill (Friendships)
Colleen Gonzalez (WCTC)
Donna Martinez (Public Defender Office)
Linda Cole (Friendships)
Sandra Hack (DHHS)

Mary Madden (NAMI)
Marybeth Vander Male (IHL)
Diane Begos (MHC - CCS)
Joan Sternweis (MHC - DT)

Guest:

David Cappon, Waukesha
Housing Authority

Excused:

Troy Norman (Goodwill)
Michael DeMares (WCDHHS)
Lisa McLean (MHA)
Corrine Gresen (WMH)
James Hanover (Div. of Voc. Rehab.)
Andrew Barnhill
Maura McMahon (Public Defender Office)

The meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. by Mary Madden. Mary introduced David Cappon for the Educational Segment on the Waukesha Housing Authority.

Educational Segment: Waukesha Housing Authority – David Cappon

David Cappon passed out and reviewed a brochure on services provided by the Waukesha Housing Authority (WHA). David C. stated the WHA provides services for low income families with children under 18 years of age, the elderly (62 y.o. and older), the disabled, drug and alcohol rehabilitation, pregnancy support, and HIV/AIDS. WHA works primarily as a voucher program and is based on income requirements. Individuals must apply for these services. There are family unit sites throughout Waukesha. Homes under WHA include Saratoga Heights, Hebron House, Jeremy House, Gander House, Barstow House and others. Each location serves specific needs. As a result of the economy in 2008 the wait list stopped as WHA was unable to support any more clients. The wait list is about 18 months. Discussion followed.

Review and Approval of February 2009 Minutes

The April 20, 2009 minutes were reviewed. There were no changes. Dennis Farrell moved to approve the minutes as published. This was seconded by Mary Beth Vander Male. The minutes were approved.

Board Liaison Report – Dennis Farrell

Dennis Farrell reviewed the progress of the Unmet Needs and the steps to come. Dennis F. reviewed a handout on the 2010 Budget Recommendations of the Health & Human Services Board and explained the prioritizing and scoring.

CCS Coordinating Committee – Diane Begos

Diane Begos announced there are currently 96 participants in the CCS program. An annual plan has been completed and will be submitted to the State of Wisconsin. In 2008 an onsite inspection was held and will be due again in 2010.

Old Business

Joan Sternweis stated she would have a report for the June meeting on the COP coordination feature of the Mental Health Advisory Committee (MHAC). Joan S. stated the funds are primarily used for services that aren't covered by Medicaid. COP may also assist clients when ready to move out of group homes, when there is no other funding available.

Dennis Farrell stated one more board member is needed for the MHAC. He will confirm with Duane Paulson that he will attend these meetings.

New Business

The tentative June Educational Segment will be Sarah Carpenter with WC, but this not confirmed.

Other

There was no other business. Misty Barnhill moved to adjourn. Diane Begos seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 2:20 PM.

Next Meeting June 15, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Sylvester
Recorder

Minutes were approved



Date

4/15/09

Cc: Harlow Bietefeldt, Chair, AODA
James Pearson, Chair of CAPSAC
Sue Konkel, Chair, Public Health
County Clerk, Waukesha County